

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<i>In re</i> application of:	Hoeffler, <i>et al.</i>	§	Examiner:	Cook, Lisa V.
Appl. Ser. No.	09/245,615	§	Art Unit:	1641
Filed:	February 4, 1999	§	Atty. Dkt. No:	IVGN 274.1
Title:	MICROARRAYS AND USES THEREFOR	§	Confirmation No.:	5087
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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 11, 2009
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In response to the Office Action mailed **December 11, 2009**, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the accompanying response in accordance with 37 CFR §1.111. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below in which:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page ____ of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page ____ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- ☒ **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

The extendable due date for response to the instant Office Action, under a three-month shortened statutory period, is **March 11, 2010**. Applicants hereby petition for a **three (3)-month extension** of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), thereby extending the due date for response to June 11, 2009. In association therewith, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 50-3994 in the amount of **\$1,110.00**, the fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). Applicants do not believe that any additional fees are due in connection with this Response. However, in the unlikely event that any such fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the same to Deposit Account No. 50-3994, with reference to our matter IVGN 274.1.